

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE

May 31, 2005

As a means of achieving the Department of Children and Family Services' (DCFS) goal of improved outcomes in prevention and a reduced reliance on detention, DCFS developed the Point of Engagement (POE) service delivery system. The current iteration of the State budget includes \$400,000 to assist LA County in the county-wide expansion of POE, and the Board of Supervisors should go on record in support of this possible allocation.

The State Assembly Budget Subcommittee Number 1 and Senate Budget Subcommittee Number 3 adopted the May Revision with an additional \$3.5 million from the State General Fund for Child Welfare Improvement activities. \$400,000 of this appropriation is for a Point of Engagement Model Expansion Evaluation in Los Angeles County. It is critical that the \$400,000 be retained in the State Budget as the funds would greatly support the DCFS Point of Engagement county-wide expansion plan that DCFS submitted to the Board in its report dated March 15, 2005.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE, THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Send a 5-signature letter to the County's Legislative Delegation, with a copy to Governor Schwarzenegger, to support the retention of the \$400,000 in the State Budget for the Point of Engagement Model Expansion Evaluation in Los Angeles County; and instruct the County's Legislative Advocates in Sacramento to help ensure the retention of the \$400,000 in the State Budget.

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